



Development of IPM strategy

Objectives

- Participants (IMS managers or plantation managers) develop the group/farm's own IPM strategy for the selected pests/diseases.
- Master chart with all the possible IPM-related information is produced for each of the selected pest/disease.

Training material

- Flipcharts
- Markers

Time

- 4 hours

Preparation

- Prepare 4 sheets of flipchart with the table on the next page.
- Print out the table on the next page
(4 sheets per participant X number of participants)

Steps (*Bus station methodology*)

1. Ask the participants to select 4 pests/diseases that are most important for them.
2. Set up 4 stations with a flipchart (prepared in advance). Each station is dedicated to one pest/disease.
3. Distribute 4 sheets (printed out in advance) to each participant.
4. Divide the participants into 4 groups. (Each group should have 4-5 participants.)



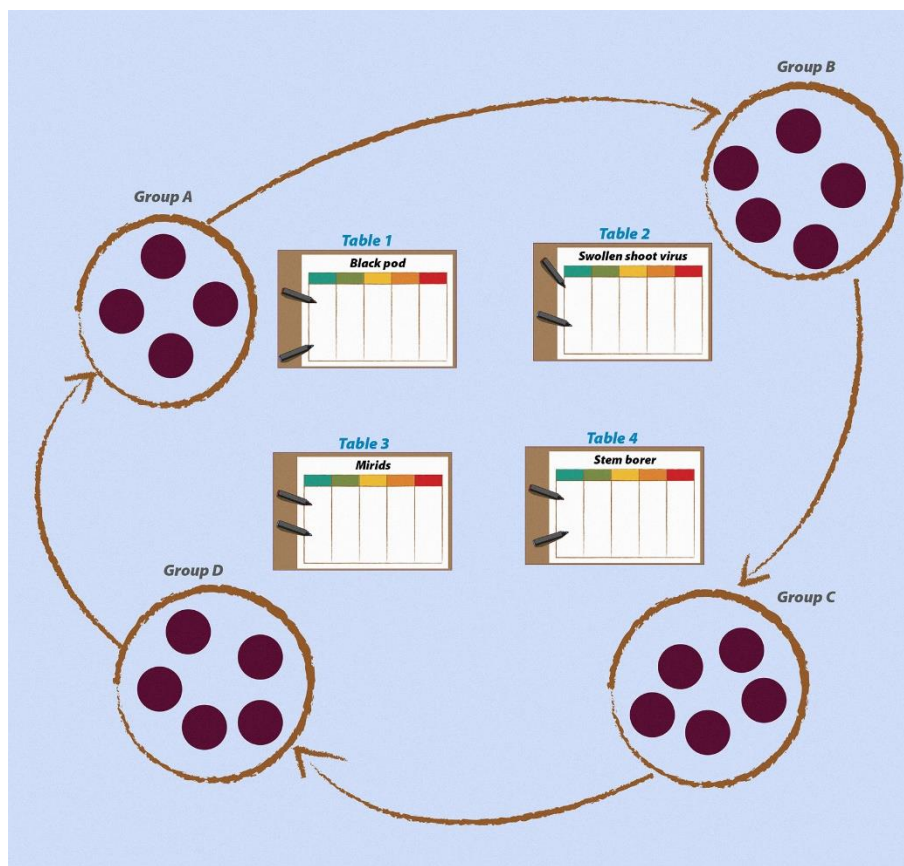
5. Each group will go to a station and discuss the following, and write them down on the master flipchart on the table:
 - Preventive actions for the pest/disease
 - How to monitor the pest/disease (e.g. eggs, nymphs, adults, indication on the leaves/pod etc.)
 - Its threshold for intervention
 - Non-chemical control methods (e.g. biological products that can be applied)
 - Chemical products
 - Prohibited products (*This should be filled in by RA staff, based on the RA List of Prohibited Pesticides.*)

Please note that master flipchart should be exhaustive, including all the possible options available.

6. While filling in the master flipchart, each participant should fill in his own sheet of IPM strategy, which the activities that the group/farm decides to implement and the products that it decides to apply.

Please note that the master flipchart contains all the possible activities and all the available products to be applied, while the individual IPM strategy should contain ONLY the activities that the group/farm decide to implement and/or the product that it decides to apply.

7. After 45 minutes, the group should rotate and go to the next table. The same exercise continues.



If some activities/products are already written down on the master flipchart by the previous group, the next group should only focus on adding what has not yet been written down.

Participants should use the master flipchart as a reference to develop and decide on its own IPM strategy.

8. Repeat the exercise until all the groups have visited all 4 stations. By the end of the exercise, all participants have all the 4 sheets of IPM strategy completed.
9. Gather the participants to the plenary. For each pest/disease, ask 2-3 participants to share his/her IPM strategy with the whole group.
10. For each pest/disease, remind the participants of the prohibited pesticides (on the red column) that should not be used.
11. Obtain contacts of the participants (e-mail, WhatsApp) so that the 4 master charts can be shared to them, once digitalized.

Follow-up after the training

Digitize the 4 master flipcharts and share them with all the participants as a reference document for the IPM strategy.

IPM Strategy

Pest/disease: _____

Farm/group name: _____

Prevention	Monitoring (Threshold)	Biological or non- chemical control	Chemical control	Prohibited products

